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SUBJECT: SAUDI MESSAGE TO EMBASSY RIYADH RE: SETTLEMENTS

REF: USUN 646 AND PREVIOUS

1. (C) Post has received a diplomatic note from the Saudi Ministry of Foreign Affairs soliciting support for the Arab Group's draft resolution on Israeli settlements. The dip note contains the following text:

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America in Riyadh.

The Arab Group proposed a draft resolution to be discussed at the International Security Council's meeting to condemn the expansion of Israeli settlements. Since issuing such a resolution emphasizes the United Nations' support and shows its serious efforts to bring peace, the Ministry respectfully wishes to inform the Embassy that the Ministry looks forward to the United States' support for this resolution.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself this opportunity to renew to the Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration."

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